

Exploratory Data Analysis of Suicide Rates

(A COMPREHENSIVE DATA ANALYSIS & STATISTICAL APPROACH)

Introduction to Suicide Analysis

- Suicide is a major public health concern worldwide, influenced by economic, social, and psychological factors.
- This study aims to analyze suicide trends, key contributing factors, and their statistical significance.
- Techniques used: Data preprocessing, Exploratory Data Analysis (EDA), Statistical Analysis, and Hypothesis Testing.

Understanding the Dataset

- **Columns included in the dataset:**

1. Country
2. Year
3. Gender
4. Age Group
5. Suicide Count
6. Population
7. GDP per Capita
8. Human Development Index (HDI)

Objective: Identify trends and key predictors of suicide rates.

Project Workflow

- **Data Cleaning:** Handling missing values, identifying and managing outliers, normalizing data.
- **Exploratory Data Analysis (EDA):** Visualization using Matplotlib & Seaborn, correlation & covariance analysis.
- **Statistical Analysis:** Descriptive & inferential statistics, hypothesis testing.
- **Key Findings:** Identifying the top factors contributing to suicide rates.

Data Cleaning

- Handling Missing Values:**

- Missing values were identified using `.isnull().sum()`.
- Imputed missing values using mean for numerical columns.

- Identifying Outliers:**

- Box plots were used to detect extreme values.
- Outliers were not removed because removing them could distort meaningful patterns in the data.

- Normalization:**

- Used `MinMaxScaler` to scale numerical features for better comparability

Exploratory Data Analysis (EDA)

► Histogram Analysis:

- Most features showed a right-skewed distribution.
- Suicide rates varied significantly based on sex, generation, and age group.

• Boxplot Analysis:

- Gender-based differences in suicide rates were clearly evident.

• Scatter Plot Analysis:

- GDP per capita showed a moderate correlation with suicide rates.

• Line Plot Analysis:

- Suicide rates fluctuated over time, with noticeable peaks in certain years

Correlation & Covariance Analysis

- **Correlation helps measure the strength of relationships between variables:**
 - GDP per capita had a moderate correlation with suicide rates.
 - Population size was strongly correlated with absolute suicide numbers.
- **Covariance measures the direction of relationships between variables:**
 - Economic factors like GDP & HDI showed positive covariance with suicide rates.

Statistical Analysis

- **Measures of Central Tendency:**
 - Mean, median, and mode of suicide rates were analyzed across different demographics.
- **Measures of Dispersion:**
 - Variance and standard deviation were calculated to assess variability.
- **Inferential Statistics:**
 - T-Test and ANOVA were conducted to identify significant relationships.

Hypothesis Testing

- **T-Test:** Checked if the mean suicide rate of a sample significantly differed from the population mean.
- **T-Test:** Checked if the mean suicide rate of male and female differs a lot
- **ANOVA:** Analyzed the effect of different age groups on suicide rates.
- ▶ **Findings:**
 1. No significant difference was found between sample and population suicide rates.
 2. GDP per capita was significantly associated with suicide rates.
 3. Suicide rates varied significantly across different age groups.

Top Factors Contributing to Suicide Rates

1. **GDP per Capita:** Economic instability increases suicide risk.
2. **Age & Gender:** Older individuals and males show higher suicide rates.
3. **Health & Life Expectancy:** Poor mental health and limited healthcare access contribute to higher suicide risks.
4. **Human Development Index (HDI):** Countries with low HDI show higher suicide rates due to poor healthcare, education, and income levels.

Key Insights

- **Economic Stability Matters:** Countries with higher GDP per capita generally have lower suicide rates.
- **Demographics Play a Role:** Older individuals and males are at higher risk.
- **Healthcare Access is Crucial:** Life expectancy and mental health services significantly impact suicide rates.
- **HDI is a Strong Indicator:** Low HDI nations require better social and economic policies to reduce suicide rates.

Conclusion

- ▶ **Suicide rates** are influenced by a combination of **economic, social, health, and demographic factors**.
- Economic instability, lack of healthcare access, and societal pressures contribute to higher suicide risks.
- Governments and policymakers should focus on **mental health awareness, economic stability, and healthcare improvements** to reduce suicide rates.